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CHANTREY INCHBALD,
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Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

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Hongkong, May 24, 1893. 47

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Hongkong, October 19, 1893. 880

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For 12 Months, 5 %

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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 4, 1893. 128

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-

ducted by the HONGKONG AND

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TION. Rules may be obtained on ap-

plication.

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annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai

Banking Corporation.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 15, 1894. 1515

Intimations.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 54.

THE EXAMINATION BULK and
STATIONS of the Kowloon Custom
House will be CLOSED from the 6th to
the 3rd FEBRUARY inclusive, in observance
of the CHINESE NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL.

H. ELGAR HOBSON,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Kowloon, 29th January, 1894. 210

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary Annual
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS

will be held at the OFFICE of the Company,
Pedder's Street, at 11.30 a.m., on FRIDAY,
the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1894, to receive a State-
ment of the Company's Accounts to the 31st
December, 1893, and the Report of the
General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 2nd Instant to
the 2nd Proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 15, 1894. 105

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH Ordinary Half-Yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the
Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's
Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 2nd February,
at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving
a Report of the Directors, together with a State-
ment of Dividends and electing Directors
and Audit Committee.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 15, 1894. 106

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND
BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH Ordinary Half-Yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in
the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the
Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's
Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 2nd February,
at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving
a Report of the Directors, together with a State-
ment of Dividends and electing Directors
and Audit Committee.

By Order, JOHN A. JUDD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1894. 140

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Hongkong, January 2, 1894. 1

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Hongkong, August 23, 1892. 1534

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COMPANY, LIMITED.

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AGENTS for the above Company

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at Current Rates.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1894. 58

THE CHINA MAIL.

No. 6008.—JANUARY 20, 1894.

Prospectus.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS OF THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL £150,000,
Divided into 50,000 Shares of £3 each,
(of which not more than 25,000 will
be offered for Subscription).

TERMS £5 cents per share on application;
50 " on allotment;
50 " on the 31st
March, 1894;
50 " on the 30th
April, 1894.

The balance at call in instalments of not
more than 50 cents per share, one month's
notice to be given in respect of each in-
stalment called up.

Application for Shares, accompanied by a
deposit of 50 cents per share, must be sent
to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation on or before the 31st day of
January, 1894.

For Terms of Application apply to the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-
poration, and the Stockbrokers' As-
sociation of Hongkong.

General Manager at Hongkong:

GEO. R. STEVENS.

Consulting Committee:

DAVID GILLIES.

JAMES BILLINGTON COUGHTON,
FOON PONG.

Secretary pro tem.:

W. H. POTTS.

Bankers:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

Solicitors:

JOHNSON, STOCKES & MASTER.

**THIS Company is formed to acquire all
the properties and assets of the
BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED,
now in Liquidation, and hereinafter
called the Old Company.**

**These properties and assets are as fol-
lowes—The properties known as 'The
Queen of the Mount,' and
'The Banks,' (for which £10,665 Cash was
paid by the Old Company), and Machinery
and other Assets necessary and useful to
the New Company, valued at £4,000 makin-
ing in all £14,665.**

Considerable to be paid on purchase
from the Old Company and its Liquidator.
22,686 shares to be allotted
to the Old Company, £2
per share to be deemed
to have been paid
up, (and with a fine
of £1 per share:
50 cents to be paid
on application, and the
balance to be called) £45,372

**Debt owing by the Old
Company and ex-
penses to date of and
including regis-
tration of the pre-
sent Company.....** 24,600

**N.B.—Many of the credi-
tors of the Old
Company have con-
sented to take fully
paid-up shares in
lieu of cash.....** 69,972

**For working capital—
per share on 22,686
shares above men-
tioned.....** 22,686

**£3 per share on 19,114
shares.....** 57,342

80,028

Capital of the Company... £150,000

From the above Statement it will be seen
that the Company pays the Old Company
(in shares) considerably less than their out-
lay for the purchase of the properties and
machinery.

It is believed that the properties above-
mentioned contain very valuable mines—
this belief being based on the following
grounds:

(a) The favorable reports which have from
time to time been made on the property
by Messrs Cox and Sayers, and Mr
Henderson, independent mining experts
of good standing and repute in Australia.
Extracts from these reports accompany the
Prospectus, and the reports themselves,
together with Plans of the prop-
erties, are open to inspection at the
Office of the Liquidator, No. 1, Duddell
Street, Hongkong.

(b) The Queen of the Mount, and
from the Extracts from the report of Mr
G. W. Matheson, the Liquidator of
the Old Company, it appears that there
is a general opinion, on the part of
those acquainted with the facts, that
these are valuable mining properties.

(c) Gold to the value of £100,000 has
been taken out of these properties and
this without any real attempt to develop
the mines by sinking deep shafts.

(d) The mines when worked by tributaries
(i.e., a few miners who from time to
time have leased the right to work) have
always made large profits for the workers.
Before the Old Company was formed
upwards of £448 tons of gold were won
from about 1,600 to 2,000 tons of stone,
and within the past 12 months tributaries
on the properties are getting out about
a ton to 1½ tons per ton. The working
of the tributaries will not interfere with
the sinking of shafts and development of
the property, and their right of tribute will
be retained.

(e) In parts of the Balmoral property
the reef has yielded as much as 4 oz. to 7 oz.
per ton, and it is confidently expected
that with certain necessary expenditure
in sinking and driving and in the
purchase of additional machinery, these
properties will turn out gold in very
paying quantities.

(f) The Government of New South Wales
have promised £1000 towards shaft-sink-
ing on the Balmoral property, and the
Government Prospecting Board described
the Queen of the Mount as a splendid
property.

(g) On the Queen of the Mount property,
1,600 to 2,000 tons yielded 450 to
500 tons of gold.

Both these properties and the Kukutong
property are more fully referred to in the
Reports from Reports which accompany
the Prospectus.

It is believed that the want of success
of the Old Company was due to the gross
mismanagement, ignorance and waste of
money at the Mines. The present Com-
pany intend to secure the services of a
business manager from Hongkong in whom
the shareholders will have confidence, and
whose head-quarters will be at the mine,
and under whose management the money
of the Company will be applied honestly
and intelligently to the development of
the properties.

Prospectus and Forms of Application
for Shares can be obtained on application
to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION, from the STOCKBROKERS'
ASSOCIATION of HONGKONG.

Hongkong, January 22, 1894.

Entertainments.

HONGKONG SMOKING CLUB.

THE NEXT CONCERT will be held in
the THEATRE ROYAL, City Hall, on
SATURDAY, 2nd February, at 9.15 p.m.
Chairman, H. E. R. HUNTER, Esq.

JNO. D. LAIRAK,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 27, 1894. 205

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600 yards, 5 shots at each range. See
Special Circular respecting Marlin's Cup

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ARTHUR CHAPMAN,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 30, 1894. 216

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Hongkong, January 30, 1894. 218

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FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship
Forsyth, Captain HALL, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st Feb., at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 30, 1894. 214

SHIP LINE OF STREAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship
DAVIES, Commander, will be
despatched for the above
Ports at Noon, on SATURDAY, the
3rd Febr.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ALFRED J. MAY,
Victoria College.

Hongkong, January 4, 1894. 26

TO LET—FURNISHED.

FOR SIXTEEN MONTHS, from 1st April,
NO. 3, MOUNTAIN VIEW, THE
PEAK.

Apply, BY LETTER FIRST, to
ALFRED J. MAY,

Hongkong, January 2, 1894. 12

TO LET—FURNISHED.

FOR TWENTY-FIVE MONTHS, from 1st April,
NO. 2, STEWART TERRACE, PEAK.

Apply to
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Hongkong, January 2, 1894. 12

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Hongkong, January 2, 1894. 12

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From 1st March, 1894.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

NEWS BY THE CANADIAN
MAIL

On Saturday last, says the *Nagasaki Express* of the 17th inst., (new year's day), according to the Russian calendar) Rear Admiral Tyroff, Commander-in-chief of the Russian squadron in the Pacific, received the very welcome intelligence of the completion to the task of Vice-Admiral. The following morning at 9 a.m. the ceremony of hoisting the Admiral's pavilion on the flag-staff, and lowering that on the main-mast, was performed, amidst loud cheering. A salute was then fired by the Admiral Korniloff, and the other men-of-war in port, after which the principal naval officials paid visit of congratulation to the Admiral Tyroff. In honour of the auspicious event a banquet was given on board the flag-ship, to which the principal naval officials, both native and foreign, and their wives, were invited. The Admiral Korniloff is, we hear, expected to leave in a few days, for a short cruise, but will return again, and remain until about the middle of February.

The *Bangkok Times* of the 20th inst. says:

"Phra Kot, the officer who was in charge of the Siamese troops at Kheng Chek when Inspector Gougruin was killed there, reached Bangkok six days ago; and Luang Warong, who took part in the affair at Toong Chien Kam, arrived here four days previously. Both, with their parties, are to be tried according to the terms of the convention. After the Siamese Government has, as far as possible, faithfully executed all the conditions, however harsh, which have been imposed upon this country and successively exacted by the Western Powers. The left bank of the Mekong is entirely and peacefully evacuated; no military forces are maintained in the provinces of Battambang and Siem Reap, and within 25 kilometers of the right bank of the Mekong. The indemnity of 3,000,000 taels has been paid, and when the time comes to take place every possible object to the evacuation of Chanthaburi will have been removed and it may then be reasonably hoped that Siamese territory, reduced to its present proportions, will be free from foreign occupation."

On Monday evening, says the *Bangkok Times* of Wednesday, the 17th inst., at about 8.30 an explosion of a peculiar nature occurred on the Scottish Oriental and *Dewavonsoree*, lying at Messrs. Windsor & Co.'s rice mill. Capt. Unsworth who, with his wife, had just finished dinner in the saloon, was the first to notice being under the impression that the explosion was the result of Chinese fireworks, but on reaching the waist of the vessel found that it had emanated from his own chart-room, which, as the smoke cleared away, presented a terrible wreck. He explains that there were three distinct explosions followed by three lesser reports, all of which, as it subsequently proved, were caused by the ignition of a stock of rockets and gunpowder stored in the chart-room locker. By some fortunate dispensation of Providence there was no one in the vicinity of the explosion at the time. The after part of the chart room was shattered into match-wood, sextants, charts, and books being scattered in all directions. The partition separating the adjoining wheel-house was torn away, carrying with it the lubricator and a wheel of the steam steering apparatus. Overhead the deck of the bridge was shattered into splinters, the stanchions being injured almost beyond repair, while immediately below the latter which held the explosives a large hole had been blown through the iron deck into the ship's galley underneath, and wrecking the adjoining mess room to such an extent that it is fortunate no one was there at the time. When the explosion occurred pieces of the debris were hurled far into the adjacent wharf where they landed in several private houses, were extinguished by the shock. As to the cause of the accident nothing is known. The chart room had been looked out at 4 p.m., not one having had access to it after the hour, while the stowage of the ship's galley immediately underneath the combustibles was not lighted at the time, and was, besides, separated from the locker by a deck composed partly of iron one-eighth of an inch in thickness.

PUNJAM MINING CO., LIMITED.
EXTRACT FROM ACTING MANAGER'S REPORT
FOR DECEMBER, 1893.

August Slope.—The ground has not been so favourable for sinking; it is harder and more difficult for blasting, as there is a little more water to contend with. The water from the heavy rain finds its way down the shaft, and makes it very wet and dirty for working. However, I think fully good work has been done up to the month of December, depth 74 feet, 100 feet North drive driven.

Small Surface Slope.—To go down on top stopped having sunk 20 feet, and from this point 16 tons have been sent to surface. The Stop.—Since my last we have struck a lead, showing free gold in the stone. I hope soon to get on the main body, which should be met with soon. Sunk during the month 15 feet; measured to day 36 feet.

I have commenced one further south on the same line of reef, and I feel confident of meeting with good stone.

The Stop Intermediate Section has been partially worked out, coming into mullock and the Chinese old workings. Sent to mill from this point 134 tons 16 cwt.

East Bottom Slope.—Has been mullocked up, and sloping continued with a full complement of men, taking out the section of ground standing between the top and bottom slopes. Sent to mill from this point 272 tons 10 cwt.

Bottom West Slope.—Has been mullocked up, and sloping resumed with a fair complement of men. We have not forced this point as we are rather pressed for storage of quartz. Sent to surface from this point 133 tons. Drive on foot wall of intermediate slope was extended 17 feet. I stopped it during the month as we could not well get away the quartz sent to surface. From this point 28 tons.

North Drive Top Slope.—Was extended during the month 21 feet. I stopped this drive as I saw no prospect of men, with any leaders of value, and brought up the back, and opened up a leader which we had previously passed through, and, from this point 4 tons of good stone was sent to the mill.

No. 4 West Drive.—Has been extended 19 feet 6 inches. This does not show much progress, the ground is much harder, and it does not show so promising. I think we are under the lode. I will put out a crest-cut and ascertain if it is so. Hope this point 3 tons have been sent to mill.

Foot Wall Drive South.—Has been driven 37 feet, passing through several strata of quartz of varying value. No load is met with during current month. I will put a crest-cut off this level out, as we may be possibly away from the lode.

Our Main.—Will prove this, and I have great hope that the ground south being crossed will turn out well, and I am very glad we shall have a new mine.

Drive on foot wall of intermediate slope.

to connect with eastern slope for the purpose of opening later higher and mullocking out down even 8 feet in mullock. We have just come into good stones, producing specimen gold. This is the same leader and specimen gold, from which the "August nugget" was found by us 25th August, 1888.

Specimen.—I send you sample of gold found, by parcel post (2 nuggets).

Output for the month 776 tons

Milled during month 600

Added to stock 176 tons

Bedor Pass.—Treated 15 tons of blanket washing and concentrates for 89 ounces 7 weight and concentrates for 89 ounces 7 weight of amalgam (about 33 ozs. of gold). We are treating blanket washing and concentrates from daily milling. The better concentrates from previous milling is stacked away, and mixed with other concentrates.

Small Dam of Reservoir.—A contract was given to strengthen this and the men are now engaged on this work.

New Boiler.—We have no novices of this having been shipped from Singapore. I hope, however, it will be in time for us.

New Machinery.—We hope to have this ready and in this month, and if the boiler does not last up we will run the new battery with a portion of the old, and do the necessary repairs, which cannot be much longer delayed, to the present mill.

Buddings.—A new changing house has been built on the mine for the miners, and is end of it serves as an office for the foreman carpenter.

General.—Everything coming under this head is having our attention. We have

exercised all the conditions, however harsh,

and successively exacted by the Western

Powers. The left bank of the Mekong is

entirely and peacefully evacuated; no

military forces are maintained in the

provinces of Battambang and Siem Reap, and

within 25 kilometers of the right bank of

the Mekong. The indemnity of 3,000,000

taels has been paid, and when the time

comes to take place every possible object to

the evacuation of Chanthaburi will have

been removed and it may then be reasonably

hoped that Siamese territory, reduced to its

present proportions, will be free from

foreign occupation.

THE WAR OF FREIGHTS.

It is impossible to contemplate with satis-

faction the angry struggle which has just

broken out between the Japanese Nippon Yunn

Kaisha and the three other Companies run-

ning steamers to Japan. War between

capitalists is seldom more profitable than

war between labour and capital, and as

weal, whichever side wins will have to pay

dearly for his victory. Still, it is an ill-

wind that blows nobody any good, and, if

P. and O. and the two Continental lines

are to be imposed upon this country

as a punishment for the

disorganization which would

result in doing away with the

steamship.

THE ARMY AND NAVY GAZETTE.

London, Jan. 30.—The Admiralty has

announced that the *Resolution* will be

sent to the Mediterranean on Feb. 10.

OPENING OF THE MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL.

Manchester, Jan. 1.—The publican on

themselves over the opening of the Man-

chester Ship Canal, which is one of the most

sanguineous enterprises of the work. The

people were early and convened in

letters, advising the people not to attend

meetings at which the agitators facili-

tated their meetings.

*Palermo, Jan. 4.—*Owing to the disturbed

condition of Sicily, and the fears that the

Fasci Del Lavoro, the powerful secret

Socialist society, might attempt to make

further trouble, a state of siege has been

proclaimed throughout the Island.

General Moro di Lavriano, who was ordered to this city to take Signor Molayeri's place as Pro-

test, has been replaced with full power,

by General Cicali.

*Zone, Jan. 4.—*The proclamation of the

state of siege has made a profound

impression upon the people there. It is

extremely difficult to learn much to day

of the state of the Island, as the heavy

storm has interrupted communication with

Sicily. Most of the wires are down.

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